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	Filing Date	December 28, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Tetsuya Kondo
	Art Unit	2652
	Examiner Name	M. V. Battaglia
	Attorney Docket Number	21884-00036-US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

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b. ☒ Enclosed

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ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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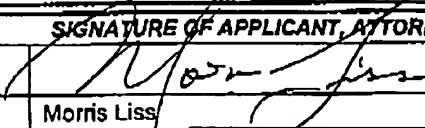
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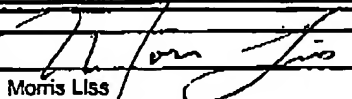
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<b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
<b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>							
						<b>Small Entity</b> <b>Fee (\$)</b> <b>Fee (\$)</b>	
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50    25	
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200    100	
Multiple dependent claims						360    180	
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